

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

ETOPIA EVANS, *et al.*,

Plaintiffs,

No. C 16-01030 WHA

v.

ARIZONA CARDINALS FOOTBALL
CLUB, LLC, *et al.*,

Defendants.

**ORDER RE PLAINTIFFS'
FIRST DISCOVERY DISPUTE**

The hearing on plaintiffs' discovery dispute (Dkt. No. 125) currently set for December 1 is **CANCELLED** and will be reset subject to the following:

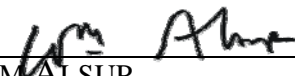
Plaintiffs should give notice to each "patient" for whom prescription records are sought, so as to give those with purported interests affected by plaintiffs' production request an opportunity to be heard. Plaintiffs' discovery letter should be brought as a formal motion because it implicates privilege issues. Additionally, plaintiffs are advised to first depose the "patients" to develop and challenge the bases for any claims of privilege. Plaintiffs' letter request to compel production of documents from Walgreen is **DENIED** as premature.

The law firm of Robbins Geller Rudman & Dowd LLP has a practice of submitting three-page discovery letters with massive amounts of additional paperwork attached. In the future, the firm must seek the Court's permission to file such submissions. The Court will

determine on a case-by-case basis if the motions are appropriate for letter briefing, or if they should be brought as formal motions to be heard on the normal 35-day track.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: November 28, 2016.



WILLIAM ALSUP
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE